



Ruth Elaine Sullivan

November 13, 1944 - October 22, 2025

Ruth Elaine (Kosek) Sullivan, age 80, of Dassel, died Tuesday, October 22, 2025, at her residence. A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 1, 2025, at the Johnson Funeral Home in Dassel. A time to celebrate Ruth's life with the family for a meal and conversation will be held after the service at the Dassel History Center at 901 First St. N., Dassel, MN 55325.

There will be a time to gather with the family one hour prior to the memorial service at the Johnson Funeral Home in Dassel on Saturday, November 1, 2025.

Ruth Elaine (Kosek) Sullivan, the daughter of Agnus "Bill" and Deloris (Gillman) Kosek was born on November 13, 1944, in Hutchinson, Minnesota. Ruth was baptized and confirmed in the Christian faith. She grew up in the Hutchinson area and graduated from Hutchinson High School in 1961.

Ruth was united in marriage to Thomas Sullivan. Together they made their home in Stewart for many years. In 1985, Ruth moved to Dassel where she has since resided. Ruth was employed as a line worker and forklift operator for thirty-five years at Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Company (3M) in Hutchinson. She enjoyed work and after her retirement she worked as a waitress for several years at the Third Street Café in Dassel. Ruth had also worked at Jacks in Cokato cooking pizzas and cookies for many years.

Ruth liked to spend time playing cards and bingo and everyone knew that you did not disturb her on Monday and Wednesday during the time she was playing card or Bingo. She enjoyed rustic camping, and traveling to Las Vegas, Nevada and the local casinos. She thoroughly enjoyed time she could spend with family, especially the overnight time with grandchildren. Christmas was one of her favorite times of the year.

She is survived by her children, Randy Sullivan of Hawaii, Becky (Matt) Stark of Gibbon, and Shelley Sullivan (significant other: Jason Nelson) of Litchfield, six grandchildren, Alisha Korpi, Tiffany Korpi, Jayden Mackedanz, Mitchel Stark, Maylee Stark, and Dawson

Mackedanz, five great grandsons, siblings, Kelly Wischmann of St. Cloud, Kenneth Kosek of Dassel, Jane (Mike) Linder of Hutchinson, Ralph (Sheila) Kosek of the Metro area, and many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Agnus and Deloris Kosek, and a son-in-law, Keith Korpi.

Previous Events

Time to gather with family

NOV 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Johnson Funeral Home
PO Box 1 611 N 2nd Street
Dassel, MN 55325
(320) 275-3381
jfhdassel@spectrum.net

Memorial Service

NOV 1. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Time of Fellowship

NOV 1. 11:45 AM (CT)

Dassel History Center and Ergot Museum
901 1st St
Dassel, MN 55325

Tribute Wall



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Ruth Elaine Sullivan.*



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“ *And Christina purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Ruth Elaine Sullivan.*



And Christina - October 29, 2025 at 04:05 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ruth Elaine Sullivan.*



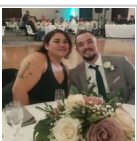
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“ *Randy, Becky & Shelley purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute S pray for the family of Ruth Elaine Sullivan.*



Randy, Becky & Shelley - October 27, 2025 at 01:51 PM



“ *When I started working at 3rd St Cafe in dassel, Ruthie was one of the very first coworkers I met, and she was a great wonderful person. I remember our Christmas party at the cafe my 2nd year there and we all played just dance. It was an absolute blast! I was always happy to see Ruthie out and about!*



Stephen Harpole - October 25, 2025 at 06:51 PM